



Wellesley Class of 1976

Dear Classmates,

Greetings from your class officers for the next five years! We are delighted and honored to lead our class from our 40th reunion to our 45th in 2021.

Just so you know who is doing what, here is your Wellesley Class of 1976 Executive Board. Please note that Fayre Crossley is our class VP, replacing Zoe Bush, who stepped down, due to personal reasons:

- Linda Ury Greenberg – President
- Fayre Crossley – Vice President
- Helen Clement – Treasurer
- Ellen Boates Clark – Secretary
- Louise Dunbar – Wellesley Fund Representative

Goals

We have some exciting years ahead and, post Alumnae Leadership Council, have started our planning, with a few key goals in mind. The three areas we want to focus on are:

- Engagement
- Connections
- Participation

We hope to encourage as many of you as possible to keep Wellesley connections going and to seek new ones with classmates you know, classmates you may have lost touch with, and classmates you never connected with before.

Engagement -- Mini-reunions

We plan to have one major mini-reunion and at least five smaller minis that we plan each year until 2021. For those who were at the 40th reunion, you may have already heard about some of these, but please stay tuned for more details as plans firm up:

- 2017 – Iowa State Fair in August
- 2018 – National Parks trip
- 2019 – Toronto long weekend
- 2020 – River cruise

Any classmates who would like to help plan these trips? Fayre Crossley would like to hear from you at wellreadwoman@yahoo.com.

In addition to these bigger minis, we hope to have mini reunions right where you live. **Did you know that only three classmates getting together is a mini reunion?** Take a photo, write a short description of who was there and what you did, and send it to Fayre at wellreadwoman@yahoo.com so she can add it to our web page photo gallery and file a mini reunion report with the College.

Just a few ideas for minis include:

- Food!! Any meal, drinks, an ice cream in the park with 3+ '76ers in attendance is a mini!
- Spa day
- Theater, museum, touring a historic place
- Wellesley regional club events
- Pot luck dinner/holiday get-togethers

Connections -- Class News

Please send news of what's happening in your life to Ellen Boates Clark at 1976notes@alum.wellesley.edu so we can share life stories with each other. We all know that Class Notes is the first place we turn to when we receive *Wellesley* magazine, so be sure to help Ellen fill her column with news from as many classmates as possible. These next five years will bring many changes to all of us and we want to keep everyone in touch.

Participation -- Supporting the Class

I know it's never easy to have a conversation about giving back monetarily, but Wellesley College is in need of alumnae contributions for scholarship aid, attracting the best professors, renovating buildings, etc.

We have set a goal for class participation in annual giving each year at over 50% and an even bigger goal of 60% or more participation for our 45th reunion year. Any gift counts towards the participation percentage, no matter what the amount. Louise Dunbar will be in touch with information about ways to contribute, where the money goes, how you can help her efforts, etc.

So, to close, let's circle back to the first goal, engagement. How can you become more involved with the class and classmates?

- **Sign up to be our class web mistress!** We need a web mistress to make our web page (<https://1976.alum.wellesley.edu>) even better, and to manage a Facebook page. We have a terrific Facebook page from the 40th reunion, but would love to have a Class Page set up. If you are interested in helping with this, send an email to Ellen at 1976notes@alum.wellesley.edu.
- **Help Fayre plan the yearly minis or host a smaller mini!** Remember, just three classmates together at an activity = a mini reunion. After your get-together, send a note and picture, if you have one, to Fayre at wellreadwoman@yahoo.com.
- **Send class news to Ellen at 1976notes@alum.wellesley.edu.**
- **Think ahead to reunion #45** and let us know if you want to be on the reunion planning committee, which is formed in 2020 – it's a lot of fun and dozens of helpers are needed! Email Linda at Wellesley1976@alum.wellesley.edu.

Happy holidays to all and best wishes for a wonderful 2017!

Best regards,

Linda Ury Greenberg
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